



To all who shall see these presents, greeting:
Know Ye, that reposing special trust and confidence in the patriotism, valor, fidelity
and abilities of JACK HARDING GARDNER
I do appoint him FIRST LIEUTENANT, AIR CORPS *in the*

Army of the United States

such appointment to date from the FIFTEENTH *day of* OCTOBER
nineteen hundred and FORTY-FIVE *He is therefore carefully and diligently to*
discharge the duty of the office to which he is appointed by doing and performing all
manner of things thereunto belonging.

He will enter upon active duty under this commission only when specifically
ordered to such active duty by competent authority.

And I do strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers under his command
when he shall be employed on active duty to be obedient to his orders as an officer of his
grade and position. And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time
to time, as he shall receive from me, or the future President of the United States of
America, or the General or other Superior Officers set over him, according to the rules
and discipline of War.

This Commission evidences an appointment in the Army of the United States, under
the provisions of section 37, National Defense Act, as amended, and is to continue in
force for a period of five years from the date above specified, and during the pleasure
of the President of the United States, for the time being.

Done at the City of Washington, this EIGHTH *day of* JANUARY
in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and FORTY-SIX *and of the*
Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and SEVENTIETH

By the President:

J. P. Gembicki
Adjutant General.